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1. DURING FOUR HOUR DISCUSSION () MOST COOPERATIVE, VERY EAGER TO TALK AND MENTIONED COUNTLESS EPISODES OF THE 1920'S AND 1930'S WHEN HE WAS A TOP GERMAN CP REVOLUTIONARY AND ON INTIMATE TERMS WITH MANY TOP CP PERSONALITIES OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES. HIS INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF RULING PERSONS IN SOV HIERARCHY AND OF ELSEWHERE OF 1920'S AND 1930'S IS VERY EXTENSIVE AND INCLUDES STALIN, RADEK, TUKHACHEVSKIY, HO CHI MINH, MANY OTHERS.

2. HE HAS INFO ON RIS, THOUGH HIS MAIN INTEREST IS POLITICAL. HE KNEW GRU BERZIN AND GPU MENZHINSKIY AND YAGODA QUITE WELL, ALSO SORGE WHOM HE OCCASIONALLY USED AS COURIER IN CA 1922. SAID HE KNOWS ALMOST NOTHING OF CP USA AND EVEN LESS ABOUT CP UK. YET AS HE TALKED VARIOUS INCIDENTS TRIGGERED MEMORY AND HE RECALLED SUCH INCIDENTS AS THIS: ON ONE OCCASION BERZIN TOLD HIM THAT IN CA 1928 GRU HAD SENT AN AGENT TO BRITAIN. HE CONTACTED ANOTHER AGENT WHO WAS BRITISH NATIONAL AND WHO BROUGHT PACKAGE OF CLASSIFIED MATERIAL TO MEETING AT RESTAURANT. () WAS NOT GIVEN AGENTS' NAMES.) THE

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ARRIVING AGENT WAS MOST IGNORANT BASIC EATING HABITS AND OTHER SIMPLE CUSTOMS AND COURTESIES AND HE AROUSED GREAT DEAL OF ^{AT} ATTENTION. HE THEN GOT DRUNK AND ALMOST COMPROMISED THE OTHER AGENT. AS A RESULT BERZIN ORDERED ARREST OF A RUSSIAN COUNTESS IN USSR (NAME UNKNOWN) WITH INTERNATIONAL SAVIOR-FAIRE WHO WAS CLOSETED IN SAFE HOUSE AND TAUGHT ETIQUETTE TO DEPARTING STAFFERS AND AGENTS. THUS SHE KNEW MANY AGENTS ON FOREIGN ASSIGNMENTS AND BELIEVES SHE WAS NOT PERMITTED TO REMAIN ALIVE.

3. LIVES ON SMALL PENSION PLUS EARNING FROM LECTURES MAINLY ON REVOLUTION, OF WHICH HE CONSIDERED AN AUTHORITY. HE TAPES HIS LECTURES AND, WHEN FUNDS AVAILABLE, HAS TAPES TRANSCRIBED. HE EDITS TRANSCRIPTIONS WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY BECOME HIS MEMOIRS. HE NOW HAS OVER 600 TRIPLE-SPACED TYPEWRITTEN PAGES. ALSO HAS NUMEROUS OTHER MATERIALS, (LETTERS, OVERT PUBLICATIONS, RARE POSTERS OF WWI PERIOD, ETC.) WHICH HE PLANS SELL BECAUSE CLAIMS HE SHORT OF FUNDS.

4. IS 78 YEARS OLD, VERY SPRY, AGILE, MENTALLY MOST ALERT, CAN EASILY PASS AS 60 YEARS OLD, VERY LUCID AND MEMORY UNUSUALLY GOOD. MOST WILLING TO COOPERATE AND PROVIDE US ALL INFO HIS POSSESSIONS RE RIS, BUT REPEATEDLY MENTIONED HAS

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NO MONEY. MAIN REASON FOR DESIRE FOR FUNDS IS TO ENABLE HIM CONTINUE HIS MEMOIRS. HE SAYS DATA IN THEM ARE ACCURATE, BASED ON PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE, AND WILL CORRECT INACCURACIES IN MANY EXISTING WORKS. WILLING BE DEBRIEFED ON TAPE, BUT CLAIMS CANNOT DO SO ON HIS OWN (INASMUCH AS HE TALKS VERY FREELY, PRESUME THIS IS JUST PSYCHOLOGICAL NEED FOR AN APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE.)

5. GAVE WOCORK ALIAS P.O. BOX AND SAID HE WOULD SEE WHAT COULD BE ARRANGED AND WOULD WRITE OR SEND SOMEONE. ALSO INDICATED THAT MODEST REMUNERATION FOR CORRECT INFO ON RIS IS A POSSIBILITY.

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